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RULE CAPTION

Adopts revisions to the state initiative processes contained in OAR Chapter 165 Division 14.

Not more than 15 words that reasonably identifies the subject matter of the agency's intended action.

RULEMAKING ACTION

Secure approval of rule numbers with the Administrative Rules Unit prior to filing

ADOPT:

165-014-0034

AMEND:

165-014-0005, 165-014-0030, 165-014-0275

REPEAL:

RENUMBER: Secure approval of new rule numbers with the Administrative Rules Unit prior to filing.

AMEND AND RENUMBER: Secure approval of new rule numbers with the Administrative Rules Unit prior to filing.

Statutory Authority:

ORS 246.150, 250.015, 250.048, 255.135

Other Authority:

Statutes Implemented:

ORS 250.015, 250.045, 250.048, 250.052, 250.085, 250.105

RULE SUMMARY

165-014-0005 - The proposed rule amendment adopts current revisions to the State Initiative and Referendum Manual as the procedures and forms to be used for the state initiative and referendum process. Specifically incorporates changes made by the 2017 Legislative Assembly and provides a process for chief petitioners to circulate a state initiative petition during the ballot title process.

165-014-0030 - Adopts revisions to the state initiative verification process. Defines terms to provide clarification between verification processes. Incorporates verification procedures for signatures gathered during the ballot title process. Clarifies signature sheet errors and signature lines which will not be accepted for verification.

165-014-0033 - Allows for any number of signatures gathered using sponsorship templates to be submitted not later than October 1, 2017, and subsequently processed the same as signatures gathered on primary templates.

165-014-0275 - Clarifies that signature lines which appear to have been completed by the same member of the household will not be rejected as altered.

A public rulemaking hearing may be requested in writing by 10 or more people, or by an association with 10 or more members, within 21 days following the publication of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the *Oregon Bulletin* or 28 days from the date Notice was sent to people on the agency mailing list, whichever is later. If sufficient hearing requests are received, the notice of the date and time of the rulemaking hearing must be published in the *Oregon Bulletin* at least 14 days before the hearing.

The Agency requests public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing negative economic impact of the rule on business.

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Last Day (m/d/yyyy) and Time
for public comment

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